

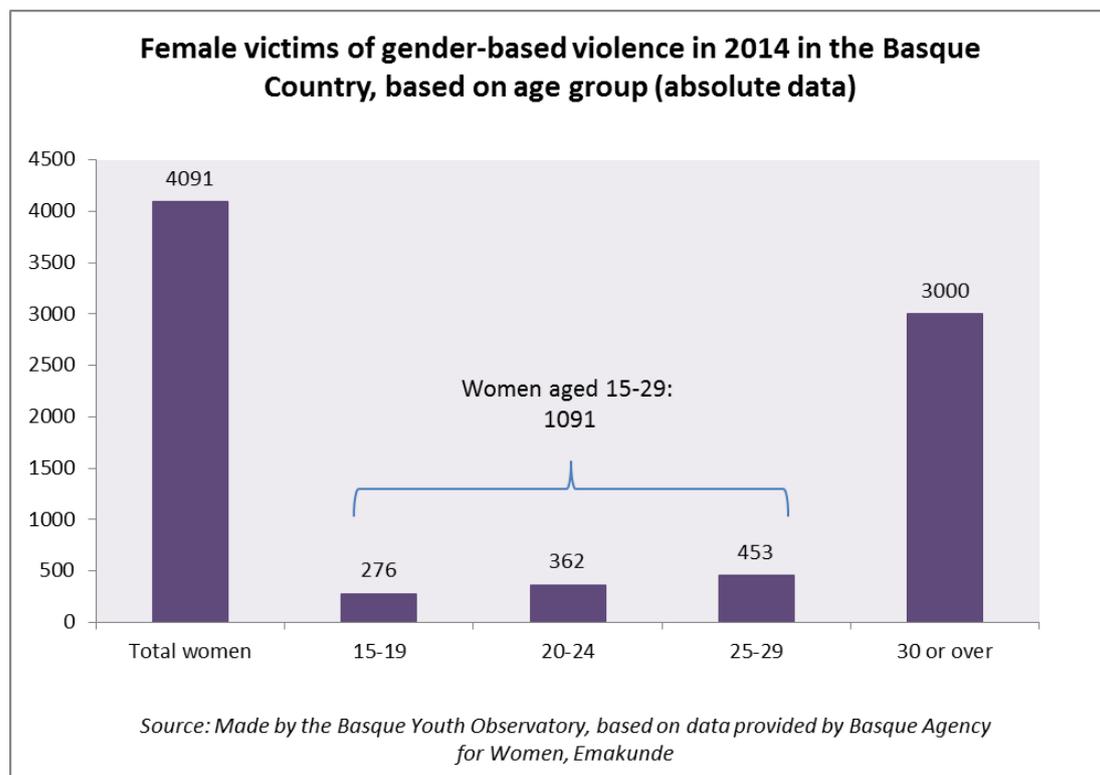
In 2014, 1091 young women aged 15 to 29 were victims of gender violence in the Basque Country

Young women represent more than a quarter of all women victims of violence

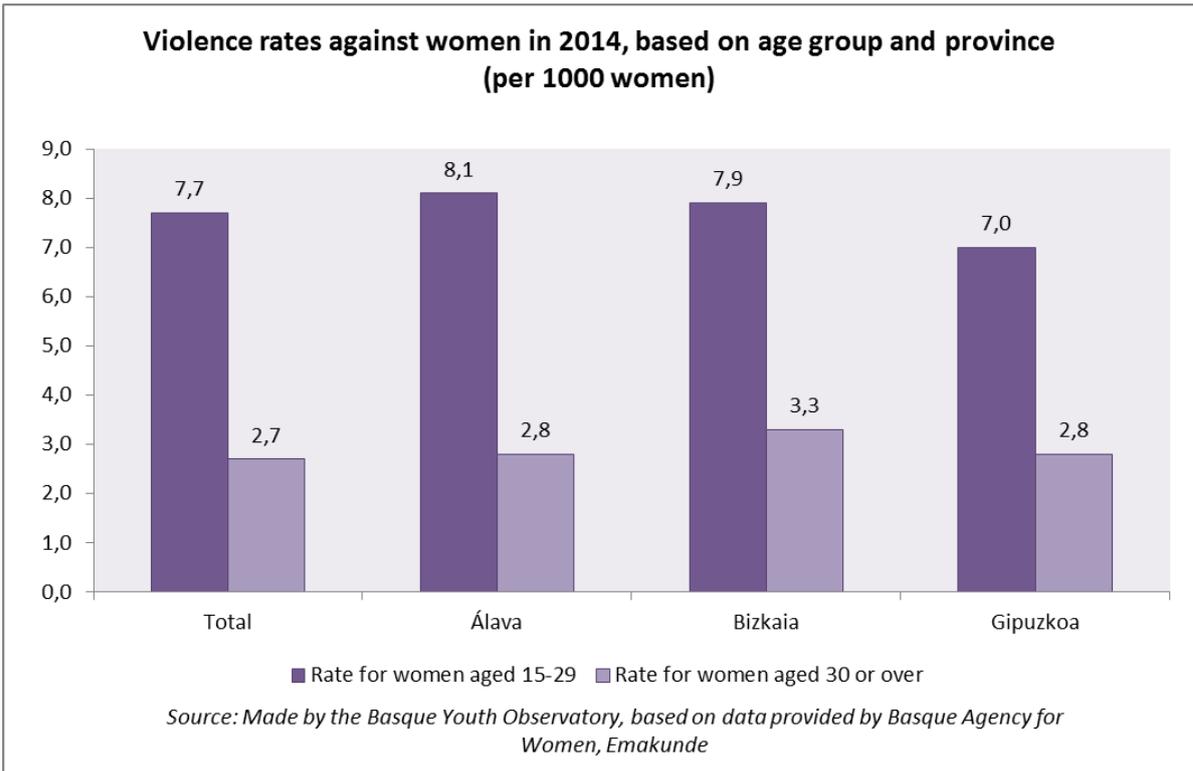
On the occasion of the celebration of the **International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women**, the [Basque Youth Observatory](#) presents some data about gender-based violence. These data have been provided by the Basque Agency for Women, Emakunde.

According to these data, 4091 women were victims of gender-based violence in the Basque Country in 2014. Of those, 27 % (1091) were women between 15 and 29 years of age.

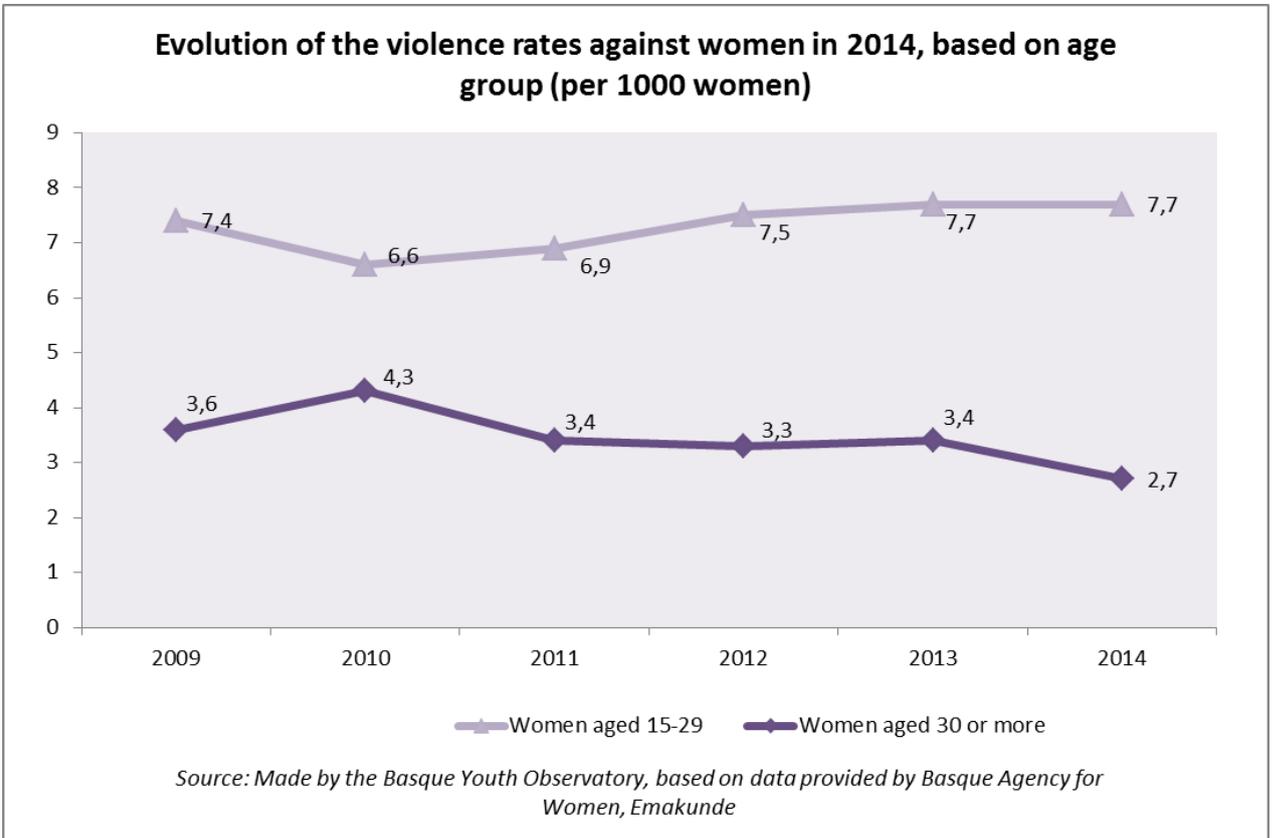
If we attend to the **distribution among age groups**, 276 (7 % of total) were women aged between 15 and 19; 362 (9 % of total) were women aged 20 to 24 and 453 (11 %) between 25 and 29.



The rates of women victims of gender-based violence, calculated per 1,000 women in each age group, show profound differences between the 15 to 29 age group and the group of women over 30 years of age (7,7 ‰ and 2,7 ‰ respectively). Rated by province, we can find the most notorious gap in Álava.



Finally, attending to the evolution of the violence rates against women, calculated on the basis of women who have lodge a **complaint**, we observe that the evolution of the rate among women aged 15 to 29 remains stable since 2012 and the rate among women over 30 years shows a slight decrease.



These data, including additional breakdowns, can be found in the [statistics](#) of the Basque Youth Observatory, in the indicators section called **Values and Attitudes**, particularly in the subsection **on Violence towards women**.

The Basque Youth Observatory would like to support the dissemination of the **Beldur Barik!** programme, promoted by Emakunde and Eudel, within the framework of the Berdinsarea, a net of Basque Municipalities in favour of equality and against gender-based violence, with the support and funding of the Provincial Councils of Álava, Bizkaia and Gipuzkoa and in cooperation with the Department of Education, Language Policy and Culture of the Basque Government, the University of the Basque Country (UPV/EHU) and EITB.

The purpose of this programme is to prevent gender-based violence among young people. One of the major programme actions is aimed at young people aged 12 to 26 and rewards artistic works, in audiovisual format, with which young boys and girls can express how they face inequalities based on Beldur Barik, i.e. respect, equality, liberty and autonomy, co-responsibility and the firm rejection of gender-based violence.

For more information, the programme has its own website <http://beldurbarik.org/> and its own profile on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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